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Candidates for the post of Director-General

Note by the Secretariat

Addendum

1. Subsequent to the issuance of document IDB.30/19 of 2 May 2005, the President of the Board, H.E. Mr. O. Zniber (Morocco) was informed of the withdrawal of the candidate from Iraq, Mr. Sami Raouf Al-Araji, for the post of Director-General of UNIDO. The communication from the Permanent Mission of Iraq dated 16 June 2005 is contained in the annex to the present document.

2. Thus, as of 17 June 2005, the status of candidatures for the post of Director-General is as follows:

Mr. Kipkorir Aly Azad Rana	Kenya
Mr. Kandeh K. Yumkella	Sierra Leone
Mr. Abel J. J. Rwendeire	Uganda

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Annex

Permanent Mission of Iraq
Vienna

No: 14/2005
Date: 16/6/2005

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Iraq to UNIDO presents its compliments to the President of the Industrial Development Board of UNIDO, and with reference to our note no: 3/2005 dated 4/4/2005, has the honour to inform that the Government of the Republic of Iraq has decided to withdraw the candidature of Dr. Sami Raouf Al-Araji, for the post of Director General of UNIDO.

The Government of the Republic of Iraq has undertaken this position out of its honour and respect of the general agreement among the Regional Groups and out of its keenness to maintain the fortunately existing cordial relations with the African States. The Government of the Republic of Iraq would like to stress its right to nominate for future empty posts in the UNIDO and other international Organizations, thus it requests the support of all states of Regional Groups, keeping in mind that Iraq has been deprived for years, due to well known circumstances, of its natural right to assume such posts. In this regard, the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Iraq will highly appreciate it if the President of the Board convey this note to all members of Regional Groups.

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Iraq in Vienna avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the President of the Board the assurances of its highest consideration.

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